



IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FLANDERS: IMPROVE WASTE MONITORING WITH THE R4R METHOD

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2. GENERAL INFORMATION

2.1 General purpose of the implementation

Every year OVAM publishes a report with data about household waste produced in Flanders. These data are collected through an online survey where municipalities, intermunicipal organisations and accredited bodies can fill in their information.

On the other hand OVAM reports data about municipal waste to the national statistics institute who compiles data for Belgium based on the inputs of OVAM (Flanders), BIM (Brussels Region), OWD (Walloon Region) to report to Eurostat.

To make the data in our report more comparable with the press releases from Eurostat and with other regions in Europe who are using the R4R online tool, the R4R method will be included in our yearly report.

A consultation with the Brussels and Walloon Region will be planned to explain them the use of the R4R online tool. In this way data between the different Belgian regions can be compared.

2.2 Scope

The scope of the implementation plan is to include the concept of DREC (Destination RECYcling) and sorting stages in the yearly report about municipal waste data from OVAM and to report data following the R4R methodology in the R4R online tool.

2.3 Responsible organization, project leader and team members

Responsible organisation: OVAM

Project leader: Janna Vandecruys

Project team: Janna Vandecruys, Maarten De Groof

2.4 Goal of the implementation

Using the R4R method makes data more comparable with other European regions. By adding data based on this methodology in the yearly report, confusing between different data because of the used methodology can be avoided. Also more detailed information about the different sorting stages (separated at source, outputs sorting facilities, outputs MBT facilities) will be available. DREC indicators include waste amounts with Destination RECYcling. This is more interesting than the data about collection because some streams are collected mixed with others (eg plastic packaging, metal packaging, beverage cartons collected together in the 'blue bag'). The data will also be inputted in the R4R online tool.

2.5 Key activities

- Gathering the data following the R4R method
- Proposition content report

- Approval report
- Input data in R4R online tool

2.6 Expected results of the implementation

For the readers of the OVAM yearly report, more information about the sorting stages will be available. Focus will be on the amounts with Destination RECYcling, so called DREC indicators. Data can be compared with other Belgian/European regions.

2.7 Risks and measures

Flemish data are already many years reported on the same way in the yearly report. Changes may be not enthusiastically received on first moment. By explaining the reasons and probably including some benchmarking with other European Regions, the readers may be convinced of the advantages. Still the collected amounts of residual waste (door-to-door) will be obtained in the report next to the residual waste amounts following the R4R methodology (which includes outputs from MBT and leads to a decrease of residual waste due to the evaporation during the MBT process).

To make benchmarks with other Belgian or European regions, these data need to be filled in in the R4R online tool. We will try to convince the Brussels and Walloon Region to use the tool. To do some benchmark with other Belgian Regions, their willingness to use the R4R online tool is necessary.

3. PLAN OF APPROACH AND TIME SCHEDULE

3.1 Phases and activities

- Gathering the data following the R4R method
- Proposition content report
- Approval report
- Input data in R4R online tool
- Benchmark with other regions

3.2 Milestone planning

Action 1:	Include R4R methodology in the yearly report		
	Description	Start	Deadline
Step 1	Proposition content report	January 2015	March 2015
Step 2	Approval proposition	March 2015	April 2015
Step 3	Gather data about outputs MBT/sorting facilities	June 2015	August 2015
Step 4	Calculate data following R4R methodology	July 2015	August 2015
Step 5	Approval report	September 2015	October 2015
Action 2	Input in tool + Benchmark with other regions		
Step 1	Explain methodology to other Belgian Regions + demonstrate R4R online tool	January 2015	May 2015
Step 2	Fill in Flemish data in R4R online tool	September 2015	September 2015
Step 3	Benchmark with other regions	September 2015	October 2015

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